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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action of June 19, 2002.

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**REMARKS**

Claim 14 has been amended.

Applicants note that the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 27, 2001 is not incomplete, and that a copy of each cited reference was transmitted to the Patent Office along with the accompanying PTO Form 1449. A copy of the transmittal letter that accompanied that Information Disclosure Statement, of the IDS itself, and of the stamped return postcard received from the Patent Office are enclosed to show that copies of the cited references were filed on February 27, 2001. Applicants draw the Examiner's attention to the return postcard received from the Patent Office, indicating that the IDS and its accompanying one hundred and three documents were enclosed and received. Thus, Applicants have satisfied the requirements of MPEP 609(III)(A)(2), 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) by

